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August 18, 2016

Members of the Planning and Zoning Commission Public Services Building 220 West 1st Street Ankeny, Iowa 50023-1751 RECEIVED

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**CITY OF ANKEMY** 

RE:

ON WITH LIFE SITE IMPROVEMENTS SITE PLAN RESUBMITTAL

Members of the Planning & Zoning Commission;

On behalf of On With Life, please see the attached revised site plan based on City Staff comments dated August 11, 2016. Please find attached to this letter six (6) copies of the revised site plan and copies of the drainage report and pertinent permit applications.

On With Life is proposing to construct an enabling garden south of their main care facility building, allowing them to provide outdoor therapeutic programs and additional outdoor space for employees and visitors. This garden consists of multiple pavement types, different sensory and tactile stimulation spaces, and varying plantings and outdoor seating spots to support their programs. Improvements include a phased construction of an additional parking area, construction of a bio-retention/rain garden area to treat storm water run-off in the garden area, additional storm water detention area southwest of the proposed parking, electrical and lighting improvements, and additional landscaping.

Snyder & Associates, Country Lansdcapes and Bluestone Project Solutions are providing the project design, coordination and construction of the therapeutic garden and parking improvements. Due to the costs and construction periods associated with these multiple improvements, the project will be constructed in phases, with the first phase consisting of utility improvements, earthwork and drainage, perimeter sidewalks and a portion of the parking area. Phase 1 improvements are scheduled to begin yet this summer and will continue through 2017.

We will have representatives from the project in attendance at the September 6 Planning & Zoning meeting to present the project and answer any questions.

Sincerely;

SNYDER & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Tim West, PLA, LEED AP

Cc: Corey Morrison, On With Life

Rick Fox, Country Landscapes

Eric Simon, Bluestone Project Solutions